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Ken A. Kluksdahl Tenneco Minerals P.O. Box 2650 955 North 1300 West #4 St. George, Utah 84770

> Re: Tenneco Minerals Gold Strike

Phase II Overliner Gradation

Dear Mr. Kluksdahl:

We have reviewed the information concerning the overliner material which is proposed for the Phase II heap leach pad liner system.

The use of the 1½-inch minus size overliner material is approved based on the ore being stacked by a conveyor belt stacker, the secondary clay liner and the leak detection system built to the approved specifications, the limited operating life of the Phase II heap leach pad i.e. 1 October 1994, and the limited process solution head on the geomembrane.

It is acknowledged that this material may cause damage to the geomembrane; increasing risks of leakage and subsequent detection. In the event of leakage, Tenneco Minerals will be directed to limit the use of the pad and take necessary corrective action.

Sincerely,

Utah Water Pollution Control Committee

Don A. Ostler, P.E. Executive Secretary

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cc: Wayne Thomas, Southwest District Engineer
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